

Appl. No. 10/035,662
Amdt. Dated December 28, 2001
Reply to Office action of June 9, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 16-84 were pending in the Application. Claim 16 has been amended herein. Claims 19-84 have been cancelled without intending to abandon or to dedicate to the public any patentable subject matter. Accordingly, following entry of the foregoing amendments, Claims 16-18 will be pending.

Election/Restriction:

The Examiner has imposed a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between 21 different groups. Applicants hereby elect the Examiner's Group I, claims 16, 19 and 22, without traverse.

Additionally, the Examiner requires selection of one compound from claims 16, 19 and 22. Applicants hereby elect a compound or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, represented by the formula: Pva-Bip-Atmp.

Based upon the foregoing, Applicants believe that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and such disposition is respectfully requested. In the event that a telephone conversation would further prosecution and/or expedite allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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